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OSA-1951-70

21 July 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Materiel, OSA

SUBJECT : Life Support Subjects for Trip to

See paragraph six of Attachment. If time permits, please insure that Survival Kits are now being packed properly. Maybe a random selection and activation in the PE shop would be in order.

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Attachment

Excerpts from Idea-0163-70
dated 14 July 1970 Subject:
Trip Report to

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ATTACHMENT to

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6. Life-Support Equipment - In giving instructions on the survival kit and equipment in paragraph B of the Academic Phase (see attachment A) the survival seat kit is covered in detail including the function of the kit and the survival equipment items and the location and application of each item. The kit used for this training was an operational mission kit packed for service and was taken off the shelf at random. The following discrepancies were noted during the instruction:

A. When the survival-kit handle was operated to open the kit, the right and left side releases came free but the kit lid failed to open. It was necessary to open the kit lid with a screw driver.

B. In demonstrating , it was found to be inoperable due to battery corrosion.

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C. Items in the auxiliary survival kit had deteriorated.

D. Correction Action: See message (Attachment B). It was determined that the kit failed to open due to the fact that too much equipment was packed in the kit which applied too much pressure inside the kit, stretching the timing cables and fouling the timing mechanism. Items have been removed from the kit and other items rearranged for better packing making the kit easier to close and relieving the pressure.

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